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31st District #2 Integrating Committee Meeting Minutes

March 15, 1991 - 8:00 a.m.

Hamilton County Engineer's Conference Room

700 County Administration Building

Cincinnati, OH 45202

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Schramm at 8:15 a.m. Mr. Young was alternate for Mayor Mann, Mr. Ray Hodges for Mr. Barfels and Mr. Dick Cline for Mr. Rowe.

Support Staff present: Messrs. Cottrill, Sigward, Pettit, Bass, Brayshaw and Hipfel. Mr. Douglas Ervin, District #2's OPWC Program Representative, was also in attendance.

Mr. Castellini made a motion for approval of the January 18, 1991 minutes; seconded by Mr. Crafts and passed unanimously.

Former Committee Member Mr. Dusty Rhodes, newly sworn in as Hamilton County's Auditor (automatically making him Hamilton County's Fiscal Officer for Issue #2 monies), entered the meeting room and was greeted by all.

Chairman Schramm then welcomed Mr. Rhodes' replacement, Mr. Joe Sykes and recognized the Support Staff which makes the Committee's job easier.

Mr. Ervin then reported that the Governor recently appointed Mr. W. Laurence Bicking, former Director of Parks and Recreation in the City of Cleveland, as the new Director of OPWC.

The three year terms of Committee Members was brought up and will be discussed further at the next meeting in order to allow for a transition period.

Support Staff report: Mr. Cline reported on the City of Cincinnati's credit enhancement projects and recommended that the Committee submit the approximately thirty projects amounting to \$250,000 as a single application thus eliminating the need to rate each project individually.

Mr. Crafts moved that the City of Cincinnati have permission to group all their projects in one application for credit enhancement money to be submitted to the Integrating Committee when we next meet; seconded by Mrs. Berger and passed unanimously.

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Mr. Young asked if it would be possible to secure a telephone vote if the application was received before the next meeting. Chairman Schramm said he would be willing to follow this procedure in order to expedite things.

Since approval of Credit enhancements will require the District to designate a minimum of \$128,000 in additional construction funds for MBE's, the City of Cincinnati is willing to designate Forest Avenue as a set-aside project.

Mr. Cottrill presented the application of the Metropolitan Sewer District for "emergency funds" to construct the Race Road sewer. This will be a new facility, which is to be constructed in response to an order from the EPA. The estimated cost for the project is \$52,000. MSD is asking that the Committee endorse the project before sending it on to OPWC, even though the Committee's approval or endorsement is not required. Mayor Ragase opposed granting the endorsement, and made a motion that the application be sent back to MSD with the explanation that they should reapply for regular funds in the 4th round. Mr. Crafts amended the motion, stating that we will forward the application to OPWC without endorsement if MSD insists. The motion passed unanimously.

The Committee was informed by Mr. Cottrill that the City of Cheviot has placed a truck ban on Westwood Northern Blvd., which was recently rehabbed using Issue #2 funding. This is a direct contradiction of a statement that Cheviot had made on their application, which indicated that the street's pavement was in such poor condition that a truck ban would likely be enacted if the street was not rehabbed. Rating points were awarded to this project because of the probability of a truck ban. The ensuing discussion debated the ramifications of Cheviot's action, and whether it constituted fraud. Rather than making an immediate decision whether or how Cheviot should be punished, the Committee directed the Support Staff to investigate the matter and report back at the next meeting.

Old Business - Mayor Ragase reported that the Reliance Road Culvert headwall is still moving away from the sewer pipe. Forest Park will again apply for Issue #2 funds in the next round for this project.

New Business - Mr. Ervin announced that the Small Governments Commission met and District #2's top eight (8) projects submitted were funded as requested. Village of Greenhills (Cromwell/Andover Loop Improvement), Village of Elmwood Place (Vine Street Improvements), Village of Mariemont (Petoskey Avenue Rehabilitation & Settle Road Rehabilitation), Village of Lockland (Catch Basin Repairs & Wayne Park Drive), Amberley Village (Galbraith Road Repair and Village of North Bend (Cliff Road Slide Correction). The Small Governments Commission set aside Amberley's Issue #2 application for Galbraith Road as a minority set-aside project to meet Small Governments MBE requirements.

Mr. Crafts asked if there were any recommendations for strengthening the loan criteria. The Support Staff will be reevaluating the economic health of all subdivisions in District #2.

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Mr. Ervin will get back to the Committee at the next meeting with more specifics as to time frames for the 4th round submittals.

Mr. Young indicated that the City of Cincinnati is considering adoption of the District's EEO/Affirmative Action plan, as there seems to be some problem with OPWC accepting the City's Plan. Mr. Ervin indicated that he will try to help the City with this matter.

Mr. Ervin distributed an up-to-date accounting.

Chairman Schramm instructed the Support Staff to get copies of the new census report for the Committee from OKI.

Next meeting date April 19, 1991.

Mr. Crafts made a motion for adjournment; seconded by Mr. Sykes and passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned 9:25 a.m..

Respectfully submitted,



Joan Cornelius
Recording Secretary

cc: Support Staff

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(All regular meetings the 3rd Friday of month)

AGENDA

- 1.) Approval of previous meeting's minutes
- 2.) Up-date on project status with Public Works Director Randall Howard
- 3.) Selection of new Public Works Director to be done by Governor - late March
- 4.) MBE contracts and language for meeting criteria required by EEO
- 5.) Terms of present members of Infrastructure Committee
- 6.) Support Staff
 - (1.) Credit enhancement projects from the City of Cincinnati
 - (2.) MBE set-aside projects
 - (3.) MSD emergency Issue #2 funds application
 - (4.) City of Cheviot - Westwood Northern Blvd. project.
- 7.) Old Business
- 8.) New Business
- 9.) Next meeting date - April 19, 1991
- 10.) Adjournment

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ATTENDANCE LIST

<u>NAME</u>	<u>AFFILIATION</u>	<u>PHONE NO.</u>
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<u>DANE CRAFTS</u>		<u>522-6859</u>
<u>Ray H. Hodges</u>	<u>for Wayne Berke</u>	<u>595-5200</u>
<u>Cynthia Mastale</u>	<u>City of Cincinnati</u>	<u>352-2457</u>
<u>Wilma Berger</u>	<u>Symmes Township</u>	<u>891-7826</u>
<u>Joe. Sykes</u>	<u>Miami Twp</u>	<u>941-3393</u>
<u>Tom Young</u>	<u>City of Cin</u>	<u>352-3401</u>
<u>Joe Pagano</u>	<u>City of Forest Park</u>	<u>595-5208</u>